

## **Coal Policy Solutions**

- No new coal exploration or development or expansion of existing mines in the Eastern Slopes of Alberta.
- Reclamation of all lands disturbed by coal exploration to be completed by Jan 1/2025.
- Current operating mines are free to continue to operate within already approved mine permit boundaries, but no new expansions will be allowed
- An immediate focus of the current operating mines must be on the continuous reclamation of disturbed lands as they go with measurable and accountable enforcement of environmental policies and regulations by the Alberta Energy Regulator and Alberta Environment and Parks.
- An industry funded program established and maintained by the Alberta Energy Regulator and the Coal Association of Canada must be established to monitor, build, maintain and operate water treatment facilities in perpetuity to ensure that pollutants downstream of lands disturbed by coal exploration or development are below provincial and federal regulatory guidelines.

- Ensure that landowners are not forced to conduct their own research and studies and initiate court action to achieve public consultation when it comes to potential changes to resource management policies that pertain to the Eastern Slopes. Any changes to the policy should reflect what the majority of Albertan's wish for this iconic region of the province.
- Ensure the Eastern Slopes continue to supply the needs of Albertans and fulfill our obligations to our neighbors downstream in other provinces and jurisdictions.
- Protect the Eastern Slopes for sustainable businesses and opportunities such as recreation, tourism, hunting and fishing and regenerative activities i.e., agriculture and food production. These actions will ensure the head waters will continue to produce high quality water for the millions of Canadians that rely on this lifegiving resource.